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Patent No.: 7,004,482

Publication Date: February 28, 2006

Name of Inventor: Edward Steffan

Title: Foldable Golf-Bag/Hand-Cart Assembly with Mounting Assembly  
Having Retrofit Capability

Dear Sir or Madam:

Under 37 CFR 1.182, we are requesting the publication of a corrected Patent Number 7,004,482 that was published with an incorrect title:

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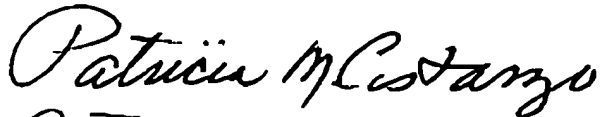
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Title

Foldable golf-bag/hand-cart assembly with mounting assembly having retrofit capability

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### **Application Information**

Application type:: Regular  
Subject matter:: Utility  
Suggested classification:: 280/651  
Suggested group art unit::  
CD-ROM or CD disk:: None  
Title:: Foldable Golf-Bag/Hand-Cart  
Assembly with Mounting Assembly  
Having Retrofit Capability  
Attorney docket number:: SteffanE\_P\_1\_03  
Request for early publication:: No  
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Suggested drawing figure:: 1, 3, and 4  
Total drawing sheets:: 10  
Small entity:: Yes  
Petition included:: No  
Secrecy Order in Parent Appl.? No

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- ☒ The attached application, or  
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Not Applicable

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**REFERENCE TO SEQUENCE LISTING, A TABLE OR A COMPUTER PROGRAM  
LISTING COMPACT DISK APPENDIX**

Not Applicable

**BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

[0001] The present invention relates generally to golf-bags and golf carts and more particularly to a foldable golf cart/golf-bag assembly.

[0002] The background information discussed below is presented to better illustrate the novelty of the present invention. This background information is not admitted prior art.

[0003] Because of its historical ties to Scottish, English, and French monarchs, golf is referred to as a "royal and ancient" game. In the days of James IV, James V, and his daughter Mary Stuart, who it is said was seen playing golf just days after her husband was murdered, golf was considered a game for royalty. However, today the game of golf is played by persons from nearly all strata of society. Men and women, young and old play golf today. In fact, according to the National Golf Foundation, there are now nearly 27 million golfers, with about two million people taking up golf each year. People play golf for pleasure, networking, and exercise.

[0004] A game of golf offers maximum exercise benefits when the golfers walk the course, as opposed to riding in a motorized cart. Golf-bags containing clubs, balls, accessories, and other items useful or desired for the full enjoyment of the game, however, often end up weighing too much for most people, especially those with limited physical ability, to carry over the several miles that must be traversed while playing a typical eighteen hole game.

[0005] Some golfers will employ the services of a caddy to carry their golf-bags, if, indeed, their golf course offers such an amenity. Many golfers, however, feel that the expense of